AN ADVERTISEMENT

Concerning those most Famous

Cathartique and Diuretique

PILLS.

Being an Incomparable Medicine in all Chronical and Dangerous Diseases;

Wherewith was Cured

The late Lord General *MONCK*

Of the DROPSIE:

Some hundreds before, and many since, having received absolute Cure thereby.

And it is also a most certain Remedy against the SCURVY, with all other sharp, salt, and watry Humours.

It Purifies and sweetens the Blood, and prevents Infectious Distempers.

Prepared only by

WILLIAM SERMON

Doctor of Physick, and one of his Majesties Physicians in Ordinary.

The Fourth Edition Enlarged.

LONDON,

Printed for the Author, and *Edward Thomas* at the *Adam* and *Eve* in *Little Britain*, 1671.

Cure F 26.

WELLCOME

Dr. Sermon's

Cathartique and Diuretique

PILLS.

Friendly Reader,

HAving through the wonderful Goodneſs and Mercy of the Almighty God, by long experience in ſearching the great Volume of Nature, by a diligent inſpection, obſerving the property of each Diſtemper, with the nature and occult quality of Metals, Minerals, and Vegetables; ſome years paſt arrived to the ſublime preparation of this moſt excellent Medicine, whoſe tranſcendent Virtues (of late) have been know̄ to many perſons of great worth. A Medicament ſo exceeding rare as admits no Rival for the performance of the foreſaid Cures, *&c.* the want of which every year cauſeth great numbers of Men, Women, and Children to deſcend untimely to their Graves.

Therefore I conceive it a duty highly incumbent on me, to let the World ſhare with me in the diſpenſation of ſo Divine a Bleſſing: and ſo having conſequently taken upon me to give this Advertiſement, to the intent my Country-men may underſtand how ready and willing I am to communicate what I have received from the Author of all good things.

To ſpeak much in the praiſe of theſe Pills, were but to give jealouſie, and indeed occaſion to undervalue them; this being the product and reſult of my Travels, and Lucubrations: I would not be cenſured ſo over-fond to perſwade the World 'tis worth Reception, ſince 'tis more proper I ſhould refer you to others to be informed of the Virtues thereof, which few inſtances ſhall ſerve for all.

I here omit to make mention of the perſons I have cured of the *Dropſie*, and *Scurvy* in the City of *London*, 1662. 63. and 64. and ſhall only inſert ſome remarkable Cures performed of late years in the City of *Briſtol*, before I was ſent for from thence to Cure his Grace the late Lord General *Monck*, who by the virtue of my Pills in 28 days, evacuated by Stool 12 Gallons of Water, his Swellings all abated, and he beeame perfectly Cured, as you may underſtand by what follows,

lows, being a True Copy of the Certificate under his Hand and Seal.

These are to certifie all whom it may concern, That Mr. William Sermon, *Professor of Physick, was the person, by Gods Blessing, who did perfectly Cure me with much ease, and in a short time. Given under my Hand and Seal at* New-hall *this* 12th *day of* July, 1669.

Albemarle.

In this Edition I have omitted to insert the Case of the Duke of *Albemarle*, as it was found in Dissection, *Jan.* 4. 1669. believing all sober Persons are well informed, that his Grace was perfectly Cured by my Pills, and that at last he died not of the Dropsie, as many Enviously still report.

However if there be any that are not satisfied of the truth thereof, I refer them to read the Life and Actions of General *Monck*, Page 246. 454. 476. written by that Reverend Divine Dr. *Thomas Gumble*, Chaplain to his late Grace.

Mr. *James Ferry*, living at the *White Lion* in *Broadstreet* in the City of *Bristol*, was sorely afflicted with the *Dropsie*, his Belly, Thighs, and Legs extremely swelled, and very hard; insomuch

inſomuch that he could not go: he had a great Cough and Suffocation of the Lungs, loathed his meat, who for the ſpace of ſeventeen Weeks uſed all means imaginable, and and had the advice of fifteen Phyſicians; ſome cauſed him to be Cupt, others uſed Scarification, *&c.* but took no effect; ſo they all left him off for a dead man: Yet by Gods Bleſſing with two or three Boxes of my Pills, which cauſed him to evacuate by Stool at ſeveral times about 16 Gallons of diſcoloured water, beſides, forced Urine freely, all his Swellings forthwith abated, his Ulcers (unskilfully procured) healed, and he was perfectly cured in 36 days. This was effected in *November* and part of *December*, 1666.

Mr. *Robert Liſſon*, living about the middle of the *Shambles* in *Briſtol*, was very far gone in the *Dropſie*, and had a Cough that ſorely vexed him, was cured by a box of Pills that exceeded not twelve ſhillings.

Upon *Whitſunday* 1667. I was called to one Mr. *Will. Kinton* Copper-ſmith, living at the Red-Lion in *Caſtle-ſtreet*, who was troubled much with that *Dropſie* called *Aſcites*, which is when much watry humour is heaped up between the skin, or that film called *Peritonæum*, and the Bowels: he had a great Cough, left by all hopeleſs, and had been

been at a vaſt charge; was cured by two 8 ſhilling boxes of my Pills. With the ſaid Medicine was cured *Richard Chandler* near the *Pity-gate.*

Alſo *Richard Davies* belonging then to the Sugar-houſe in *Temple-ſtreet*, very far gone in that Dropſie called *Anaſarca*, which is when the humour is diſperſed throughout the whole Body, that the Fleſh doth appear altogether moiſt, and wet like a Spunge. This cure I effected in *February* 1667.

Mr. *Peter Grant*, living at the ſign of the Angel in St. *Mary Port-ſtreet*, *Briſtol*, being brought exceeding low with the Dropſie, who alſo had a violent pain in his ſtomach, his breath very ſhort; his Relations and Friends giving him over, having no hopes of his life, aged near 60: he at laſt making uſe of about 16 ſhillings worth of my Pills, was in a ſhort time perfectly Cured.

Alſo *Ann Eſtridge* aged near 22, in St. *Peters ſtreet*, in the City aforeſaid, for want of her monthly ſickneſs, fell into a Dropſie, and ſo extremely ſwelled, that her belly, thighs and legs were ready to ſplit, who for ſometime lay ſpeechleſs, yet by Gods bleſſing and my Pills was perfectly Cured.

One *Phyllis*, in *Wind-ſtreet* in the ſame City,

City, aged near 50. her monthly courſes had left her, and ſhe being full of excrementitious humors, fell into a violent Dropſie, *&c.* very much ſwelled and in great pain, whom I cured in few weeks.

And for the future to prevent ſuch Accidents, I adviſe the Female Sex about the time that thoſe are leaving them, to take ſome of my Pills (as directed in this Book) for certainly it hath been found, and ſtill will be the beſt Medicine under the Heavens in ſuch caſes, not only to prevent the Dropſie, but ſeveral diſtempers that beget Mortality before the appointed time; which none ſhall paſs, neither can then Phyſick take the leaſt effect.

The Wife of Mr. *Arthur Baker*, in the Pariſh of *Cromwel* in the County of *Glocester*, afflicted much with the Dropſie, and ſorely tormented with a Spaſmus, a diſeaſe in which the ſinews are drawn and pluckt up againſt the Patients will, was cured by my Pills, though in the winter time, and very much froſt and ſnow.

Mr. *James Ruſſel* in *Bath*, I cured with one Box of my Pills.

Mr. *William Underhills* Son, in the Pariſh of *Bitton*, five miles from *Briſtol*, afflicted with that Dropſie called *Tympanites* (which is

is when much windineſs and ſuperfluous vapours is gathered in the aforeſaid places of the belly, was cured with two or three boxes of my Pills.

Since his Grace the late Lord General received a perfect cure in *June* and *July* 1669. by my Pills, ſeveral perſons of great Honour are ready to ſubſcribe to the Worth of this great *Arcanum*, having received benefit thereby.

Alſo Mr. *Edmund Saunders* Barriſter of the *Middle-Temple*, inclinable to the Dropſie and Scurvy, had help thereby, after which being at *Gloceſter* ſent for a 12 *s.* box of my Pills, and gave them freely to the Wife of one *Watkins* in *Wotton* near the City aforeſaid, by which means ſhe was ſoon cured, though far gone in a Dropſie. I could wiſh all (with him) that are able to be charitable to the poor.

Likewiſe Captain *Anthony Langſtone*, Captain *Wedlow* of the *Sun-Tavern* in *Biſhopsgate ſtreet*, Mr. *Ford*, Secretary to the Lord *Roberts*, received help by the Medicine aforeſaid.

Mr. *Lewis Reme*, Painter to his Grace *Chriſtopher* Lord Duke of *Albemarle*, much troubled with the Dropſie, had help by my Pills.

Captain *John Wharton*, in *George-yard* in *Kings ſtreet Weſtminſter*, much troubled with the Dropſie and Scurvy, became very weak, was perfectly cured with two or three Boxes of my Pills.

Mr. *Chriſtopher Brenam*, at the ſign of the *Chriſtopher* in *Duffins Alley* in the ſame ſtreet, had ſpeedy help by my Pills.

Mr. *Thomas Refould*, and Miſtreſs *Ann Refould* his Wife: living at the *Prince* of *Orange* in *Cannon-Row Weſtminſter*, were both cured of the Dropſie with my Pills.

Mr. *Baggot*, Yeoman-Porter to the Gate and Park-ſtairs at *White-hall*, aged 80 odd, troubled much with the Scurvy and Dropſie, by taking 10 or 12 doſes of my Pills was cured.

Mr. *Day*, living at the Coffee-houſe in *Chapple-ſtreet Weſtminſter*, violently afflicted with the Dropſie, and full of ſalt ſharp humours, his belly and members extremely ſwelled, was with ſeven 4 *s.* boxes of my Pills cured.

Mr. *Arundel*, a Bricklayer, near the place aforeſaid, afflicted with the Dropſie, was alſo cured in a ſhort time with 3 or 4 boxes of my Pills.

Serjeant *Granger*, in *Biſhops-head Court* in *Grays-Inn-lane*, was cured of the Dropſie

Dropſie with two twelve ſhilling boxes of my Pills.

Corporal *Davis* at the five Bells in the ſame Lane, long afflicted with the Dropſie, and had a violent Aſthma, *&c.* by reaſon of a watry humour got into the Lungs, yet by Gods bleſſing was perfectly cured with my Pills.

Mr. *Shipton* at the *Horſe-ſhoe* over againſt *Clarendon Houſe.*

Mr. *Thomas Harriſon* at the *Meermaid* in *Red-lion-fields*, near *Holborn.*

Miſtreſs *Dobſon* at the *Jacob* and 12 *Sons* in *Redcroſs-ſtreet*, were all cured of the Dropſie with my Pills.

Alſo Miſtreſs *Ann Buckridge* of *Stockwel*, within two miles of *Lambeth.*

Mr. *Ryves*, at the Golden Anchor, the Corner houſe in *Lumbard-ſtreet*, having an indiſpoſition of body, at laſt fell into a Dropſie, Scurvy, *&c.* But taking it in time, was cured with one box of my Pills.

Mr. *Richard Mills* his ſon of *Enfield* in the County of *Middleſex*, within 10 miles of the City of *London*, aged about 14 years, his belly, and members, *&c.* very much ſwelled, his father ſought all means imaginable but found none, till he took of my Pills, with which he received a perfect cure.

Mr. *Joſeph Haylock*, ſervant to Mr. Alderman *Gray* in the Town aforeſaid, moſt violently afflicted with the Dropſie, and had a great Cough and ſuffocation of the Lungs, *&c.* He ſpet abundance of corrupt and fœtid matter, and was left off by all for a dead man, and at laſt I cured him for three and twenty ſhillings, though in the midſt of his Cure (as many have been to their utter ruine) was perſwaded againſt me, and my Pills, ſo that in plain terms he left me off for ſix weeks, but at length begg'd me to take him again, being very unwilling (when he had got a pair of Spectacles) to be perſwaded to his Grave.

☞ For this medicament is alwaies effectual if taken before the Liver and the reſt of the principal bowels are putrified, or nature decaied (which ſoon hapneth in ſome conſtitutions) and ſometimes it pleaſeth God to afflict men with ſuch diſeaſes, as no man ſhall heal (as you may read at large in the Holy Scriptures) but where diſeaſes are curable, this medicine with Gods help moſt certainly prevails; therefore you that mind your own welfare, take it in time, and my life for yours, you will have no cauſe to repent.

☞ Another Cure effected upon a perſon

O

of the Female Sex, being [illegible] troubled with ſharp humours falling upon the Eyes and Palat, her throat very ſore, inſomuch that ſhe could not ſpeak: I deſire her to open her mouth, I found her Palat eat off, and the root of the Tongue ulcerated; the Noſtrils very bad: with much ado ſhe confeſſed that ſhe had been under cure, and was ſalivated; it coſt her eight pounds, but to no purpoſe: in 28 days ſhe was perfectly cured with two 12 ſhilling Boxes of my Pills, and the uſe of this Gargariſm made as followeth.

Take Vine-leaves, or the tops when the leaves are not to be had, one handful; Roch-Allum, Ginger groſly beaten, of each half an ounce; Album Græcum one ounce; boil all theſe in one quart of Spring water to the conſumption of the third part, add thereto half a pound of the beſt Honey, let it boil two or three walms, ſtrain it, and gargle the Mouth and Throat therewith, and with a Syringe caſt ſome into the Noſtrils warm: this done, with the uſe of the Pills, will both preſerve the Noſe and Palat, *&c.*

I ſhall here inſert but only two or three Letters directed to me (though I have many more by me to the ſame purpoſe) together with a few more of the moſt admirable

Cures

Cures lately effected by my Pills; the Medicine so much (by some) snarled at.

Sir,

I Received yours, with the three boxes of Pills; one of which I disposed of to *Deborah Jones*, living in *Kings Wood* near this City, aged 60 odd, who was in Cure when you were commanded from *Bristol* to wait upon the Duk of *Albemarle*, in the beginning of *June* 1669. but ever since she hath languished under these distempers, *viz.* the wind Gout, Scurvy, and Dropsie; but now it hath pleased God, by the means of your Pills, and Bolus, wonderfully to restore her beyond expectation; it hath brought from her by vomit a filmous substance forth of her stomach the length of your hand; and she also voided much water by stool, as I am credibly informed by her Son, whose name is *Thomas Jones*, and it is thought that one box more of your Pills will Cure her. No more at present but my true desires to God for your health, *&c.* I rest

Bristol, Feb. 8. 167°.

Yours in all I may
Jo. Cox.

Another

Another Letter as followeth.

Doctor Sermon,

I Have a long time desired to write, but feared to be troublesome; but understanding your Candor and Ingenuity to all, I took this boldness upon me; I am not able to describe my own distemper, but as I can I shall give you thus:

I have been three or four years under a sore affliction that took me, as a violent Ague, shaking me an hour or too, then a violent burning continued twenty four hours, which I suppose stirred up those Hidropical humours that lay near the skin, for they would be very sore, and swell, and I had no remedy but Plasters to draw them: but hearing of your Pills this Winter, I took them, which brought abundance of water from me; I have taken four boxes of them, and this effect I find, my fits are now so little, that I scarce know when they come, but only by stirring the Humour. They did formerly take away my strength, that I was not able to stir at all, or to turn my self in my bed, but now I lose no strength (praised be the Lord) so that I hope I am near Cured.

Sir, I have commended your Pills to a Kinswoman

Kinſwoman of mine, who I perceived was under a ſore hidropical Humour, and had uſed much means, but to no purpoſe. And with one box of them is recovered; after ſhe had taken two, then three, ſhe vomited; but coming to take four, and after that five, it brok a cake, congealed in her body, which came forth by ſtool, ſince which time ſhe is very well recovered; her mother came to me, and deſired me to acquaint you with this miraculous Cure, and returns her and her Daughters hearty thanks.

I have many Friends that viſiting me have ſent for your Pills, and find very great good thereby. I have been bold to give you this trouble, which pray you pardon, and take the tender of my thankful gratitude to God and you for all the good I find; and ſhall reſt

Neyland in *Suffolk*, Feb. 20. 167⅔. *Your ever loving and thankful Friend*, Iſaac Key.

Since the receipt of the former Letter, I received another, dated *March* the ſeventh, 167⅔. that informs me that thoſe moſt ſad and terrible fits had quite left Mr. *Key*.

Another

Another.

Worthy Sir,

I Have received yours, and do much deſire that the great Cure which (by the bleſſing of God) your Pills have effected on my Wife ſhould be made known to the World; ſhe was very far ſpent in the Dropſie, and Scurvy, and extremely ſwelled all over her head and face, arms, body, thighs, and legs, and the ſwelling very hard; her legs were ſwelled in bigneſs above half a yard about; and ſometimes her eyes were ſwelled up that ſhe could not ſee; ſhe was likewiſe troubled with a violent Cough, and a riſing in her throat, which would ſtop her up, and many times take away her ſpeech; ſhe was alſo troubled with a violent pain in her head, and many times diſtracted with it.

Her Condition was ſo dangerous, that ſhe made uſe of all the ableſt Phyſicians that we could here of, without finding the leaſt benefit by them; and they had all left her off, and ſaid that ſhe could not live many days. And it pleaſed God that ſhe heard of your Pills, which Cured her perfectly in two months, *viz.* in *June* and *July*, 1670. which was a great and miraculous Cure, and a wonder

to all that knew her. Thus with, my humble ſervice and hearty thanks to you I remain,

Sir, yours whilſt I am
John Jones.

Bramham in *Suffolk*, near *Ipſwich* Feb. 25. 167$\frac{2}{1}$.

Miſtreſs *Anne Brinley*, the Wife of Mr. Alderman *Brinley*, in the City of *Worceſter*, moſt horribly afflicted with the Dropſie, and Scurvy, her belly, thighs, and legs, extremely ſwelled, and almoſt deprived of breath; ſhe had made uſe of many eminent and able Phyſicians, (who queſtionleſs uſed their beſt endeavours) yet to no purpoſe, and ſo left by all her neareſt Relations for a dead woman; but accidentally hearing of my Pills, and making uſe thereof according to directions, forthwith evacuated abundance of water by ſtool, *&c.* her ſwellings all abated in a ſhort time, and ſhe became perfectly well to admiration. This great Cure was effected about *Midſommer* laſt, 1670. Since which time many more of good quality, in and adjacent to that City, have found wonderful good thereby.

Miſtreſs *Seawell*, in *Well-yard* in little St. *Bartholomews*, very dangerouſly afflicted with that Dropſie called *Tympanites*, her belly

belly extremely ſwelled; ſhe had loſt her appetite, and was very weak; but through Gods mercy, by taking of my Pills was perfectly reſtored to her former health.

Mr. *John Walker*, Attorney, living over againſt the ſign of the *Whale-bone* in *Lothbury*, ſorely troubled with violent ſtraining, and every morning ſubject to vomit; alſo tormented with vapours ariſing from his ſtomach, *&c.* which did much offend his head, but never received benefit by any Medicine, before he took my Pills.

The Daughter of *J. P.* in the County of *Gloceſter*, near *Bath*, Aged 37. for ſeven years troubled with an ill diſtemper, which ſhe called the Whites; alſo a great weakneſs and pain in her back, ſharpneſs of Urin, *&c.* and broke forth over all her body much like to a Leproſie; the humour ſalt and ſharp; by taking my Pills one Spring and Fall was perfectly cured. The days ſhe took no Pills I adviſed her to drink the Decoction of Plantain, Yarrow, Knotgraſs, and the middle bark of Elme. And ſometimes ſhe anointed the ſores with the ointment made as followeth.

Take Oyl of Roſes three ounces, the white Oyntment with Camphir two ounces, Sal. Prunellæ one ounce, Crude Antimony reduced into very fine powder half an ounce, mix them

them all together, and keep it for use.

A good old woman, formerly a Souldier in the Wars of *Venus*, not living many miles from the place aforesaid, sorely afflicted with the Scurvy, *&c.* with a kind of a pocky humour in her Eyes, and a filthy stinking Ulcer in her throat, by reason of which she could not speak, and when she went to drink, it would run out at her Nostrils, was at last perfectly Cured by taking four 4 *s.* boxes of my Pills, with the use of the Gargarism, page 11.

Another woman, Aged about 60. living near the City of *Bristol*, troubled long with an Ulcer in her throat, and had violent nocturnal pains in her Legs, *&c.* was cured in a short time by the Means aforesaid, only she took of the following Bolus three times, and sweat as directed.

☞ How to prevent and cure the Gout (especially where it is not hereditary or long contracted) with all other violent pains in the joynts, by my Pills and the following Bolus, which I have often proved to be true.

☞ Take Venice Treacle one drachm, the powder of Virginy Snake weed, Gascoign powder, Diaphoretick Antimony, of each 10 grains, Saffron, Salt of Scurvy-grass, Wormwood, and Salt of Ash, of each 5 grains, make

make it up into a Bolus with the ſyrrup of Ground-pine; take it about 4 or 5 of the Clock in the afternoon, by it ſelf, or with hot Sack, *&c.* being in bed covered warm, ſweat as you are able to bear it, and rub your ſelves with warm clothes, and be ſure to take no cold. The very next morning take three or four of my Pills, more or leſs, according to the ſtrength of your bodies; thus do two days in five, the Bolus may ſerve the weaker ſort twice. I judge this method ſufficient to cure many occult and dangerous diſtempers, (eſpecially where the body is not maciated, *&c.*) The Bolus you may have made up by any Apothecary.

I could give you an exact account of ſeveral other great Cures effected by my Pills, upon many perſons of good quality, with the leaſt charges imaginable (and upon the Poor for nothing, it ever being part of my practice ſo to do) not only in the City of *London*, but in ſeveral other Cities, and parts of *England* and *Wales*, which here to inſert their names and dwellings, would well this beyond my preſent intentions. But if any are curious in this particular, I am ready to produce Letters from hundreds, wherein I have thanks given me, *&c.* for the admirable Cures done by them when left

void

void of help by any other means; and I know nothing to the contrary why all may not receive Cure thereby, if they will follow taking these Pills for some time according to directions; But God knows many are fickle-minded, and (as aforesaid) are perswaded to expend their moneys upon undigested, crude drugs, by every blind direction, till too late; and then, to the grief of my soul, I have heard them cry out, Oh that I had never seen such and such, for they perswaded me against your Pills, when at first those poor people (that I have turned away giving them nothing, except 6 d. to buy glass of Wine to comfort their dying spirits might have received a perfect Cure by God blessing, with two or three boxes of my Pills. But let such as will be thus deceived acquiesce in their own Ignorance, it's indifferent to me.

☞ I advise all Hydropical and Scorbutical persons, during the time of taking the Pills (though usually very dry) to drink as little as possible, except of the Liquor made as followeth: Take the Bark of Elder, red Sage, Ground Ivy, or the Herb called Ale-hoof, Smallage, Fennel roots, Scurvy-grass, Parsly-roots, of each half a pound, of the best Juniper berries one pound, Ginger half

an ounce, cut and bruiſe all theſe, and tye them up in a thin cloath, and hang them in an earthen Stein, and pour thereto 8 Gallons of new Ale; ſo let it work together: when it is fit to drink you may drink a good draught firſt in the morning, and laſt at night. And if there be an appetite, eat any thing of light digeſtion, though the Pills have not done working; and in warm weather walk about your occaſions; for in this Medicine there is no danger; they are ſo ſafe, that it is my cuſtom to take them at any time of the day; they retain their virtue *for many years*, and are of excellent uſe for Mariners, and for ſuch as travel long Journeys by Land; for it doth not only cure ſudden Accidents, but prevents Diſeaſes, that oftentimes happen to the utter ruine of the Patient.

But ſome ſcandalouſly report, that theſe Pills are dangerous in the working, being too ſtrong for any perſon but one of extraordinary ſtrength of Nature. Secondly, That I have no skill in the Art of Phyſick; and that I have no other Medicine but this particular Receipt or Compoſition. But let all know, theſe are meer ſcandals, raiſed upon me by perſons of an envious ſpirit; and eſpecially by ſome of the ſame Faculty; who are afraid that this Medicine may in great meaſure

ſure eclipſe that mercenary repute which they have gotten by fraud and ſeveral Artifices. There being nothing more certain and confirmed (by the experience of all perſons that have made uſe of my Pills) that no Phyſick works with more facility, neither is there any that is more ſutable to every one, even the weakeſt conſtitutions: and it is well known, that I have with good ſucceſs cured all ſorts of Diſeaſes (though moſt difficult) with as great expedition as any Phyſician whatſoever. However I do not publiſh this with deſign to create a benefit to my ſelf (for it is ſufficiently known I need it not) but candidly and really to promote the common good, to help chiefly (as well as the rich) the meaner ſort of people, who are not able to be at that great expence in Doctors Fees, and long courſes of Phyſick; which do not only exhauſt the purſe, but macerate and weaken the body.

☞ Moreover, theſe Pills are good againſt vio'ent pains in the head, breaſt, and ſtomach, extreme ſtoppage and windineſs thereof; they are alſo moſt excellent in all ſudden ſurfeits, cauſed by exceſs either in eating or drinking, which commonly violent Fevers follow, and many times death, if not prevented: which this medicine taken in time

(with

(with Gods bleſſing) will at once help; it likewiſe opens the obſtructions of the Liver and Spleen, and expells all ſuperfluous humidity, and that from the Womb, being oftentimes the cauſe of non-conception; it never hurts, but works only upon the humours offending, ſo certainly prevents the worſt of diſeaſes incident to humane bodies. It is the only medicine to purge the Reins, it provokes Urine, hinders the generation of the Gravel and Stone in the Kidneys, ſtrengthens the veſſels ſpermatick, and are well known to help the Gonorrhea of all kinds, (without the uſe of aſtringent medicines) being moſt ſafe; according to that authentick Aphoriſm,

Sublatâ Causâ tollitur Effectus.

They alſo are of excellent uſe for ſuch as are plethorick, and inclineable to over-much fat.

In the *DROPSIE*, and *SCURVY*, by a magnetick virtue, it attracts or draws all watry humours forth of the Blood, and all other parts, by the pores into the inteſtines, ſo carries it off by ſtool. It ſtrengthens the Liver, from the coldneſs and weakneſs of which all Dropſies proceed: it operates by Stool and Urine; a large doſe, which is 5 ſmall Pills, cauſeth ſometimes the Patient

to vomit; it is like a diligent and active Beadle, it waits upon all malignant and extravagant humours, never leaving them till they are out of the Corporation. In a word, it cureth when all other medicines fail, though administred by the most learned and long experienced Physicians. To the ingenious I write; for others that can relish nothing but what they do themselves, I value them not, believing my medicine beyond their censure and malice.

The manner of taking these Pills, is as followeth.

A Child between 6 and 10 years of age, may take one; the weaker sort of people two or three, the stronger four or five, &c. In the Winter take them about four or five of the clock in the morning, and sleep thereon. In the Spring and Summer, going to bed at night, or how you find them best suit with your Constitutions; swallow them in the pap of a rosted Apple, or with any warm liquor. You need not drink Posset, or Broth, as with other Physick; but if dry, what you please,

as

as Beer, Ale, White-wine, &c. They may be taken every day, every second, or third; the greater occasion, the oftner, if strength will permit. They operate with much ease, and only upon peccant humours, by which means some are Cured in a very short time, others not so soon, according to the Constitution and habit of the body, &c.

Therefore all may not expect perfect Cure by two or three small boxes of these Pills, (though many have enjoyed that great felicity) but if need require take more; and be not inveigled (by persons of a base self-interest) against that Medicine which with Gods help will absolutely cure this pernicious disease (*viz.* the Dropsie) when all others fail, as by daily experience doth appear; So let me advise the Ingenious not to prolong time, as many to their utter ruine have done, otherwise there need not have died of the Dropsie in this City (last year) nine hundred and nineteen.

These Pills may be safely taken at any season of the year; if they chance to grow hard, before you take them, then roul them a little between your fingers, and they will work as

well as if newly prepared, though you have had them by you ſeven years.

The boxes are ſealed up with my own Seal: *The* 4 *s. Box contains* 20 *Pills*, *The* 8 *s. Box* 40 *Pills*, *The* 12 *s. Box* 60 *Pills*. which are diſpoſed of by my truſty Friend Mr. *Edward Thomas*, Bookſeller, at the *Adam* and *Eve* in *Little Britain*, whom I have ſolely deputed under my hand and ſeal to make ſale thereof; and he to appoint others alſo to ſell them, not only in the City of *London*, but in all other parts of the Kingdom, *&c.* And are at preſent to be had as followeth:

At Major *Nath. Brookes* at the *Angel* in *Cornhill* near the *Royal Exchange*.

Mr. *George Calvert*'s at the Golden Ball in *Duck-lane*.

Mr. *Edward Brewſter* at the Crane in St. *Paul*'s Church-yard.

Mr. *John Place* next *Furnivals-Inn-gate* in *Holborn*.

Mr. *Allen Banks*, and Mr. *Charles Harper* at the Flower-de-Luce in *Fleetſtreet*.

Mr. *William Crook* at the Green Dragon without *Temple-Bar*.

Mr. *William Cadman* Bookſeller at the entrance into the *New Exchange*.

Mr. *Thomas Parkhurſt* at the Golden Bible and

ve and three Crowns in *Cheapſide* near Mercers Chappel.

wn Mris. *Anne Michel* in *Weſtminſter Hall.*

s. Captain *William Newman* at the Anchor

ch in *Seething Lane*, near the Navy Office.

lr. Mr. *John Maſſam* Stationer, at the ſign of

ad the *George* in *Cow-lane* near *Holborn* Con-

ly duit.

le Mr. *William Wilde* under the Croſs-

to Keyes near *Hicks's-Hall* in St. *Johns-*

n, *ſtreet.*

c. Mr. *John Chriſtmas* over againſt the *Cock* in *Suffolk ſtreet*, near *Charing-Croſs.*

Mr. *Thomas Thomas*, in the City of *Briſtol* Bookſeller.

Mr. *Alexander Davis* over againſt the

n golden Heart in *South-gate-ſtreet Glocester.*

n Mr. *John Jones* Bookſeller in the City of *Worceſter.*

e Mr. *Iſaac Puſs* in *Walton Cardiff*, near *Tewxbury* in the County of *Glocester.*

t Mr. *William Newton* Bookſeller in *Blandford* in the County of *Dorſet.*

n Mr. *William Wombwell* at the Coffee-houſe in *Coney-ſtreet* in the City of *York.*

e Mr. *William Callis* an Apothecary in *Leiceſter.*

Mr. *Robert*

Mr. *Robert Harford* Stationer at the Han and Pen upon the Point in *Portſmouth.*

Mr. *John Jones* in *Brantham* in the Coun ty of *Suffolk* near *Ipſwich.*

Mr. *William King* in *Leominſter* in th County of *Hereford.*

Mr. *Tho. Salmon* Bookſeller in *Bath.*

Mr. *Robert Eveleigh* in the City of *Exe ter* Bookſeller.

Mr. *William Thorpe* in *Weſtcheſter* Book ſeller.

And at my houſe in *Eaſtharding-ſtreet*, a the two Black-Poſts near the ſign of Gold ſmiths Hall between *Fetter-lane* and *Shoe lane London*, where by Gods aſſiſtance am now ſettled for the remaining part of m Life. And certainly, beſides the Dropſie (according to the beſt method of Phyſick) Cures any other difficult and dangerous di ſtemper, in the ſhorteſt time, and with th greateſt eaſe imaginable.

And for ſuch as deſire (in any diſeaſe) private Cure, may be accommodated at m own houſe, where without fraud ſhall ſoo have their deſires accompliſhed.

POSTSCRIPT

POSTSCRIPT.

I Had almoſt forgot to let the diſcreet Reader know, that there are many malicious and Idle Empericks, daily perſwading the harmleſs to their graves; telling them, they underſtand the Compoſition of my Pills, *&c.*

Theſe are therefore to advertiſe all perſons to beware of thoſe fraudulent Impoſtors who with no leſs Arrogance than Ignorance falſely (to ruine others) pretend to the acquiſition of this excellent ſecret (through Gods mercy of my own Invention) wholly lock'd up in my breſt, incommunicable to any, my Wife only excepted, to whom I have made known the whole preparation thereof, that if it pleaſe God ſhe ſurvive me, it may ſtill be prepared for the benefit of my Country.

FINIS.